

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

CHAMBERS OF
J. FREDERICK MOTZ
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

101 WEST LOMBARD STREET
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21201
(410) 962-0782
(410) 962-2698 FAX

June 19, 2017

MEMO TO COUNSEL RE: Iris Pineda Leiva, et al. v. GBC Towson East
Civil No. JFM-16-3765

Dear Counsel:

I have reviewed the memoranda submitted in connection with plaintiffs' motion for conditional certification and issuance of notice under the Fair Labor Standards Act. The motion (document 31) is granted. I am satisfied that there is a reasonable basis to believe that there are similarly-situated employees to plaintiffs and that the measures proposed by plaintiff for notice are appropriate.

A conference call will be held on July 11, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. to discuss the appropriate schedule in this case. I ask counsel for plaintiff to initiate the call.

Enclosed is a tentative scheduling order with approximate dates for your information. Please consult with one another before the call and be prepared to discuss whether you would like to participate in a settlement conference either before or after the completion of discovery, any changes to the dates in the form scheduling order, and whether there is unanimous consent to proceed before a U.S. Magistrate Judge for all proceedings.

Also enclosed is a letter regarding a call-in hour program for the resolution of discovery disagreements.

Despite the informal nature of this letter, it should be flagged as an opinion and docketed as an order.

Very truly yours,



J. Frederick Motz
United States District Judge

FILED
U.S. DISTRICT COURT
2017 JUN 19 PM 3:22
CLERK'S OFFICE
AT BALTIMORE
DEPUTY